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Applicant: ICHIKAWA et al. Conf.:
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For: METHOD OF PREPARING LOW ALLERGIC NATURAL
RUBBER LATEX AND DEPROTEINIZED NATURAL
RUBBER LATEX, AND LOW ALLERGIC NATURAL
RUBBER AND DEPROTEINIZED NATURAL RUBBER



PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

November 8, 2001

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 25, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A --In case of subjecting to the deproteinization treatment by the method described in the above publication, an infrared